

**Use Israk Mikraj to strengthen faith, Muslims told**  
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KUALA LUMPUR: Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak urged Muslims to learn from the Israk Mikraj events in strengthening their faith and character by performing the solat and other religious duties.

"Prophet Muhammad always called us to pray and take care of our moral values.

"The moral decay in some Muslims is also attributed to a lack of devotion and prayers, leading them onto the wrong path.

"As such, devotion and dedication to prayers can help strengthen the faith and morals of Muslims in fighting today's social ills," Najib said in his Israk Mikraj greetings on his blog [www.1malaysia.com.my](http://www.1malaysia.com.my).

The Israk Mikraj miracle, which fell yesterday, is regarded as proof of Allah's power.

Israk was Prophet Muhammad's journey from the Grand Mosque in Mecca to Al-Aqsa Mosque in Palestine, accompanied by angels Jibrail and Israfil. Mikraj was the prophet's ascension to the sky accompanied by Jibrail to meet Allah.

Najib said apart from remembering the event, Muslims should also use it as a guide in facing today's challenges.

Comparing Malaysia with other countries, he said Muslims here should be grateful to Allah for the country's social, political and economic stability. However, he added, to ensure continuous stability, everyone must play their role.

"Alhamdulillah, recently we were named the most safest country in Southeast Asia based on the Global Peace Index.

"I urge everyone to support government efforts and take part in building a peaceful and safe country."

Najib said the mosque formed the core of the Israk and Mikraj events and this should remind Muslims of their close ties with the Al-Aqsa Mosque and Baitulmaqdis.

"Malaysia remains firm in rejecting the violence and terror by the Zionist regime in Palestine.

"My family and I hope all Muslims here will learn from these historic events and help make a better tomorrow, God willing."

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